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VINSON ET AL.)
Serial No. 09/915,762) Examiner: T. Dinh
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For: DECOUPLING CAPACITOR CLOSELY)
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SECOND RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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Sir:

Applicants filed an initial Response to Restriction Requirement of October 1, 2002, electing Group I, Claims 1-31, drawn to an integrated chip module and multi-chip module, classified in class 361, subclass 782.

On December 31, 2002, the Examiner mailed a detailed action requesting that Applicants supply a correction by electing a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits, i.e., either Specie I relative to FIG. 4: without a thin film metallization layer positioned on the capacitor carrier; or Specie II relative to FIG. 4A: with a thin film metallization layer positioned on the capacitor carrier.

Applicants elect Species I directed to FIG. 4: without a thin film metallization layer positioned on the capacitor carrier.



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If the Examiner has any questions concerning this response, the undersigned attorney would appreciate a telephone call.

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